

Hello,

My name is Lindsay Grega and I am a resident of the Harbor Shores neighborhood in South Norwalk. I am writing to you to express my support for bill HB 5140 to halt the senseless killing of horseshoe crabs for bait. These are docile creatures and I have noticed their numbers dwindle over the years before even knowing the cause was human activity. There are other bait options available to our fishing industry. Killing horseshoe crabs for "free bait" will have a negative effect on our fragile ecosystem. Their eggs are a major food source for many species of migratory birds and turtles. They also eat algae keeping the waterways clean, not to mention they have many medical uses for humans. It would be devastating to have their population that's existed for hundreds of millions of years be threatened with extinction. I hope you will consider protecting this fascinating, gentle and important species.

Thank you,

Lindsay

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Sent from my iPhone